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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING. ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Cannot Be Hid."

Line Gale.

Miss L. C. Hall is visiting friends in Portland.

Mr. Louis Hoag is visiting friends in town.

Mr. Chester Wheeler was at home over Sunday from Auburn.

S. N. Buck spent Sunday with his family. He is now in Waldoboro.

Gilbert Tuell and wife took a pleasure drive to Rumford Falls last Thursdry.

P. D. Luce of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., Portland, made us a call, Friday evening.

The Literary Society will meet this afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. H. C. Andrews.

Married September 15, by Rev. F. E. Barton, Lottie M. Pike and Harry L. Pitts, both of Bethel.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold their first sociable of the season at Garland Chapel, next Friday evening.

Mrs. C. S. Littlehale has returned home from Exeter, N. H., where she has been visiting for several weeks.

The Ladies' Circle of the M. E. society will meet to-morrow afternoon and evening at the home of Mrs. Ada Wight.

Mrs. Gehring has been in Boston for a few days. She accompanied her son George, who goes there to attend the Roxbury Latin School.

The many friends of Archer L. Grover will be pleased to learn that he has been elected President of the Junior class at the University of Maine.

Judge Foster left Monday morning for Alfred where he is to attend court for two weeks, at the end of which time he goes to Bangor for another two weeks.

Edwin Gehring who has been spending a few days with his uncle, Dr. J. G. Gehring, left Monday for Boston where he is to resume his course at the Boston Institute of Technology.

The annual meeting of the Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School will not be held at the Congregational Church, Sept. 30th, as reported last week, but is postponed about one month. The date will be given later.

We call attention to the bargains offered this week by Oswald & Armstrong, the leading dry goods dealers in Lewiston. These people are gentlemen and will treat you with courtesy, and prove to you thet their goods are always just as they are advertised.

T. H. Hazeltine of Portland, manager of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., of New York for Maine, was in town last week looking after a good live agent to look after the company in this section. This is one of the largest and most reliable insurance companies in America, and one desiring to serve as agent for such a company should address The Equitable Insurance Co., Portland, for particulars.

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Gould Academy Notes.

A class for the study of Parliamentary Law has been organized at the Academy under the instruction of Principal Hanscom. Meetings are held once each week. The first proceeding in order is the roll call. As his name is called, each student must give some fact which he has learned concerning parliamentary law. Mr. Hanscom then gives a short talk or reading on the subject, the principal facts of which are to be remembered and given at the roll-call of the next meeting. The officers then take their places, and the meeting proceeds, following an established order of business. The meetings are interesting as well as instructive; by them the students become accustomed to "speaking in public," and the knowledge which they give of the manner in which public and society meetings should be conducted is of inestimable value. May the class be granted all prosperity.

A new feature of the school this fall is the exercises in calisthenics, which are given twice daily. These exercises are taken by every student who is physically able to take them, and are executed to piano music. The object is to prevent the one-sided development, so common among those who do not take regular and systematic exercise, and to develop and strengthen the unused muscles that they may, when called upon, properly fulfill their natural functions. It is an accepted general truth that a certain amount of physical exercise is necessary to health. Mental and physical development should go hand in hand. The true object of education is to develop a "sound mind in a sound body."

HUMOROUS.

—Among the queer letters received at the post-office department is one from an Indian man who wishes to be informed what qualifications are required of an applicant for a position as "horsler" on a mail route. Another man has applied for the position of "sexton of the post-office department building."

—A firm, having used a typewriter in conducting their personal correspondence department, received a letter from an indignant customer, saying, "I want you to understand that you needn't print letters sent to me. I can read writing, even yours; and I don't want to be insulted by reflections on my education."

—"Only one mother," read Jimmy Tufiboy, as he glanced at the head lines in a newspaper. "I should think that was enough. How a feller would catch it if he had two mothers! Two lickings where I get one now, both ears pulled at the same time, go without my supper twice in one day, sent on two errands in two directions at the same time. Well, I cannot be too thankful dad ain't a Mormon."

—Several weeks since, little Genie, four years old, while traveling in company with his parents from their old home in Maine to a new one in California, occupied at night with his mother an upper berth in the sleeping-car. Awaking once in the middle of the night, his mother asked him if he knew where he was. "Tourse I do," he replied; "I'm in the top drawer."—Harper's Drawer.

—The editor of the Deadwood *Roarer* attended church for the first time last Sunday. In about an hour he rushed into the office and shouted to the telegraph editor: "What in blazes are you fellows doing? How about the news from the seat of war?" "What news?" Why, all this about the Egyptian army being drowned in the Red Sea. Why the gospel sharp at the church was telling about it just now and not a word of it in this morning's paper. Bustle round, you fellows, and get the facts, or the *Snag Shot* will get a beat on us. Look spry, there, and run an extra edition if necessary, while I put on the bulletin board 'Great English Victory in the Soudan."

Home.

Home has charms that attach to no other place. There is something sacred about its influence, something that chains the passions and repels the rising thought to sin, something that breathes into the soul holy resolutions, and rouses into action the tenderest emotions of the heart. I do not mean merely the place of one's nativity, though there are ever hovering about that, if I may so express it, the soft, chiming echoes of the prayers of youthful days, but I mean *home* with all that belongs to that word in its noblest and most sacred signification. About such a place there is a power and purity that no other place can ever gain.

Control of Desire.

One of the commonest sources of worriment to the parents who have children approaching maturity is the discovery that the young people have little, if any, control over their desires. They must have what they want or they are dissatisfied and unhappy; they have no capacity to make a cheerful sacrifice, partly, it may be assumed, because in earlier life they have been too much indulged. Yet every mature person, however weak in character he may be, knows that much unhappiness lies before those who cannot regulate their desires by the means they possess for their gratification. It is not enough to get a child to do certain things as a matter of duty; he must do them with some degree of philosophical cheerfulness, or he will lead an unhappy life. It is therefore essential to his well-being that he should be trained early in life to keep guard upon his desires, and that he should learn to make minor sacrifices cheerfully so that he may be prepared when he grows older to do his duty manfully and uncomplainingly when duty leads to greater sacrifices.

The boy who is so far indulged that he is allowed to neglect his school studies or home labors for the sake of a game of ball, is not well equipped for the serious labors of life. A few years thereafter he will have just as much desire, perhaps, to witness or engage in field sports, but business will demand his attention, and family obligations, perhaps, will so press upon him that he cannot spare a moment from his work. Then he will have to curb his desires and make sacrifices, but he cannot do so cheerfully, if he has not had some experience in the matter. It is better that he should have felt some childish griefs than that he should have grown up unprepared for the more serious disappointments of matured life. Desire grows by what it feeds on; the youth who is allowed to spend all his time in field sports, to neglect his lessons, his social and home duties that he may indulge in sport, suffers greatly when, having entered upon a business career, he finds that there is no leisure for anything, and that for twenty years or more he must attend strictly to business if he would be successful. If he should have enough strength of purpose to resist his desires he cannot, with such training, do so cheerfully: whereas, the youth who has been accustomed all his life to curb his desires has them under such control that he scarcely thinks of the sacrifices he also is obliged to make.

It is scarcely possible to convey to the young an adequate impression of the freedom and opportunity for pleasure they enjoy while under the watchful eye of their parents, compared with the steady grind to which they will be subjected when they become their own masters. The term seems almost ironical, for though they may be masters of their own person, they are controlled by social forces more inexorable than the sternest parent. Their hours of coming and going are regulated; they cannot maintain their positions in the race of life, much less advance, unless they attend strictly to their daily duties, and not until they have served their employers and public faithfully for many years will they be allowed such leisure hours as they enjoyed in their youth. But this drudgery to which all must submit will appear no great hardship to those who have schooled themselves to disappointments, and have kept the growth of their desires under reasonable control. It will render very unhappy those who, through bad training, reach maturity with no more control over their appetites and desires than spoiled children.

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Mrs. Colby has held numerous positions in the Woman's Relief Corps since she began Corps work. She has served two years as president and one year as treasurer of Colby Corps, and in 1895 was elected junior vice president; in 1896, senior vice president and now we consider it not only an honor to Colby Corps but to Oxford County that in February 1897 she was unanimously chosen president of the Department of Maine.

She attended the meetings at Camp Benson in August, giving the address of welcome on Relief Corps Day. She reports that day as the success of the season.

She has lately instituted a new corps at Fairfield which makes us now seventy-one corps in the state, nearly all of which are doing good work for the soldiers and their families. Mrs. Colby has returned from the National Convention at Buffalo to take up her work with renewed zeal. The noble women we meet at these conventions inspire us toward higher things even if we may not hope to reach to their height; still an upward aim must surely be a help to us. The women of this Department have started and support a Soldier's Home in Newport, and trust they will receive the same support from the state that their sister corps have in the other states.

Bethel's New Club.

A number of young ladies and gentlemen met at the home of Mrs. Edwin C. Rowe, last Friday evening, and formed a club of which the officers and members are as follows: President, Mr. W. Stanwood Field; vice-president, Mr. Guy Small; secretary, Miss Joan Stearns. Members: Mr. Frank Hanscom, Mr. Ernest H. Pratt, Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Merton Farwell, Bertha Wiley, Percy Bartlett, Mildred Stanton, Maude Pratt, George French, Florence Carter, Maude Bartlett, Jessie Philbrook, Leon Walker, Edward King, Lennie Pratt.

The name of the club will be decided upon at the next regular meeting. The object of this club is to make an extensive study of the State of Maine.

The club will meet fortnightly, on Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. Rowe. The meetings will be conducted strictly according to parliamentary rules.

Such a course of study cannot be otherwise than benefical, for there are numerous things about our State of which many of us are ignorant. With such an efficient hostess as Mrs. Rowe, the evenings are sure to be spent in a profitable as well as enjoyable manner. And the club feel that they are particularly fortunate in having among their members Mr. Hanscom and his assistants.

By diligence and self-command let a man put the bread he eats at his own disposal, that he may not stand in bitter and false relation to other men; for the best good of wealth is freedom.—Emerson.

—Nothing does so establish the mind amid the railings and turbulence of present things, as both a look above them and a look beyond them—above them; to the steady good hand by which they are ruled; beyond them, to the sweet and beautiful end to which by that hand they will be brought.—Jeremy Taylor.

COUNTY FAIR.

Perfect Weather and the Largest Crowd ever seen on the Grounds.

Every one who attended the Oxford County Fair pronounced it a grand success, not as to its races, nor to its exhibits in any particular department but as a complete agricultural fair. The exhibits in the various departments revealed the fact that the people of Oxford County are not content with a record of holding a fair which will rank favorably with those in other counties but since there is a foremost place to be occupied by some one they are determined to occupy it.

Some of the best trotting ever seen on the Oxford track was witnessed; over 200 head of fine cattle were on exhibition; the exhibition building was well filled, every department being represented; a balloon ascension took place each day; the Norway band furnished excellent music and in fact nothing was wanting to make it worthy of the name success.

RACES.

Two races took place the first day. The first was the three-year-old race in which only three were started. May-day, owned by A. J. Penley, So. Paris, won easily; Orphan Wilkes, by D. S. Hastings, Newry, second; and Lady Paris, by W. B. Strickland, third.

2.37 CLASS.

This race was a more exciting one; five heats were necessary to decide the contest, and it was only a matter of conjecture for the first three heats who would be the winner, but in the third, Carmine got into gear and took three straight heats. Summary:

Carmine, s.h., A. H. Jack, E. Denmark,	4 2 1 1 1
Harrison Boy, ch. g., J. S. Chaplin, Harrison,	2 1 2 2 2
Norland, ch. s., Wm. Gregg, Andover,	1 4 3 3 3
Louise Wilkes, b. m., A. G. Roberts, Hebron Station,	3 3 4 4 4
Don Carlos, br.g., E. D. Heald, Buckfield,	5 5 dr

Time, 2.35 1-2, 2.37, 2.34 1-2, 2.33 1-2, 2.34 1-2.

WEDNESDAY.

The second day's races were some of the best ever seen on the track. No one could say that the horses were not driven for every one did his very best. This was decidedly a day of accidents. In the first heat of the 2.45 class, L. C. Ryerson, Cashier's driver, was run into by F. L. Starbird. Cashier was thrown to the ground as was the driver also, but each escaped without injury.

In the second heat of the 2.34 class, Denmark made a stumble in front of the grand stand and went crashing through the fence, slight injuries to the horse and none to the driver; in this same heat one sulky came in with both tires off. This race, however, was called the best of all. Nine horses started and six heats were required to win. Summary:

Bennie, A. H. Jack, East Denmark,	7 2 7 1 1 1
Glencoe Patchen, ch.s., J. S. Chaplin, Harrison,	1 5 2 2 2 2
Norland, ch. g., by Also, Wm. Gregg, Andover,	2 3 1 3 5 3
Allie Prout, br. h., P. A. Jordan, Mechanic Falls,	4 1 3 5 7 4
Gammon, br.h., by Albo, C. S. Childs, Buckfield,	3 4 6 7 dr
King, b. g., by Albrino, H. S. Hastings, Newry,	5 7 4 4 6 ro
Patty, ch.m., by Geo. Logan, Dr. Roscoe Smith, Auburn,	8 6 5 6 4 ro
Nellie Bly, ch.m., by Shine, Chas. L. Jenkins, Auburn,	9 8 8 8 3 ro
Denmark, br. g., by Bayard Wilkes, N. R. Brown, Auburn,	6 dr

Time, 2.30, 2.33, 2.32 1-2, 2.32 1-2, 2.32 1-2.

The '45 class had seven starters and while Harrison Boy was closely pressed by Chetola yet he won in three straight heats. Summary:

Harrison Boy, J. S. Chaplin, Harrison,	1 1 1
Chetola, g. m., by Griffin, Wm. Gregg, Andover,	2 2 5
Barbara, bl. f., by Owoissa, Thede Thayer, South Paris,	3 6 2
Elsie L., b. m., by Geo. Logan, J. A. Thompson, W. Sumner,	4 3 4
Cashier, L. C. Ryerson, Lewiston	7 4 3
Johnnie Reb, b. g., by Rockefeller, A. E. Russell, Buckfield,	5 5 6
Rosie Lee, b. m., by Ben Van. F. L. Starbird, So. Paris,	6 dis

Time—2:37; 2:39; 2:41 3-4,

GREEN RACE.

This race was closely contested in the first two heats by C. C. C. and Serf, both Norway horses, but owing to Serf becoming lame the result of a quarter crack, he was drawn and C. C. C. then had an easy victory. Summary:

C. C. C., ch. g., Geo. A. Cole, Norway,	1 2 1
Serf, b. s., by The Seer, W. H. Warren, Norway,	2 1 dr
Elsmont, b. g., by Elsmere, S. E. Kimball, South Paris,	4 3 2 2
Miss Garfield, bl. m, by Gen. Garfield, E. D. Heald, Buckfield,	3 4 3 3
Flora W., b. m., by Hebron, F. H. Bumpus, So. Paris,	5 5 4 4

Time—2:34 1-4; 2:33 3-4; 2:39; 2:37 1-4

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Earl Sanborn's Secret.

CHAPTER III.

Earl Sanborn in Danger.—The Wire Down.

Although Earl had the consent of his parents, he decided to leave home "between two days," as the saying goes. It was about two in the morning, when he softly opened the kitchen door, and stepped out into the yard. It was cloudy and dark, and such a stillness reigned everywhere, that the little fellow shivered. Not with fright, however, but he felt guilty. He was going away when his parents were asleep; and worse than that, though he did not realize it then, he was deceiving them. He had not told them that he intended to go to the "city," and they supposed that he was only going away a few miles, to some farmer's. He felt that he was not quite right; but, fearing they would withhold their consent, he took this clandestine course. Ah, dear reader, even the good that sometimes springs from a wrong action, will not always atone for the sin. But we'll not condemn Earl too harshly now, for we do not know the motive.

Earl arrived at the station just in time for the train. He had never been so near the track before; and when the locomotive with its long train of cars, came rumbling up to the station so majestically, he involuntarily shrank back. But there was very little time to waste. The conductor shouted "all aboard!" and Earl slipped into a car and took a seat. It was a novel situation for him, and there was so much to think and hear about, that he forgot himself. The starting of the train, added to his delight, and the swift motion increased his wonder to such a degree, that he was almost beside himself. His astonishment attracted the attention of a pleasant-faced gentleman, just across the aisle.

"My lad, this must be your first ride on the cars?" he said.

"Yes sir," answered Earl, somewhat abashed to think he had betrayed his feelings.

"I see that you like it."

"Who could help it!" said Earl, enthusiastically. "Why, it is just like flying."

"We are running about thirty miles an hour now, that is a mile in two minutes."

"Do they ever go any faster?"

"Sometimes, my lad; but this is fast enough for me."

"I think a little faster wouldn't hurt anything," said Earl, his eyes sparkling, and his face all aglow with excitement.

"Not if they keep the track, and do not meet any other train."

"If they should!" said Earl, with a scared look. He had not thought of such a thing.

The gentleman saw at once that he had frightened the boy, and hastened to re-assure him.

"But that does not often happen," he said, "and especially at this time of the year. Do you see those poles, and that wire stretched from one to another?"

"Yes sir; and I have been wondering what it was."

"That is the telegraph. Messages are sent from place to place, over that little wire. I haven't time to explain it all to you, but you will learn it by and by. When this train started, word was sent immediately to the next station, and so it will be all the way."

"But does it go faster than the cars?" asked Earl, in great surprise.

"As much faster, as the cars go faster than—a—snail," answered the gentleman, selecting some object with which he thought Earl would be familiar.

"It must go like lightning, then," said Earl.

"It *is* lightning, my lad."

Earl stared. His schooling had been very limited, and his isolated life gave him very little opportuity for information; therefore, it was not strange that he was astounded.

"Yes, my lad, it is lightning under the control of man. When you get older, you will understand it; but I suppose it seems very strange to you now."

"I should think it did," said Earl. And he looked curiously at the wire, and the poles.

By this time another station was reached, and the gentleman left the car—much to Earl's regret. He returned, however, just as the train was starting, and resumed his seat. But Earl did not see him. His gaze was intently fixed upon the slender wires, and he never turned to the right or left. After some five minutes of this fixed attention, he looked around, and an expression of disappointment was plainly visible on his face.

"What is the matter?" asked the gentleman.

"I don't believe they sent any message," replied Earl, "for I didn't see any."

"You couldn't see it," answered the gentleman, with a smile.

"There may be a message going over the wires at this moment. That seems stranger than all, doesn't it?"

"Yes sir. I don't see how they do it. But there was one place, we passed just now, where the wire was broken."

"Are you sure?"

"Oh, yes. I saw the end of it hanging. Does that make any difference?"

"I guess not," said the gentleman. "They know the time we ought to start, and they will make all trains wait. How far do you go?"

"I'm going to the city," said Earl

There are many cities in the great west, but the gentleman seemed to understand what he meant by "*the* city." He asked: "Have you acquaintances there?"

This question was an unfortunate one for the gentleman, if he wished to continue the conversation, for Earl became suddenly silent. Whether he did not wish to tell his plans, and feared that this question would lead to others, or whether he considered it impertinent, I will not pretend to say; but I do know, that, after some hesitation, he answered, rather coldly:

"I hope I shall find friends there."

Then he turned to the window, and persistently looked out.

"A queer little fellow," mused the gentleman, smiling at the intended repulse. "As close as a trap. I'll warrant that he imagines he has some great secret. Just for my own diversion, during this tedious ride, I would like to quiz him a little. I believe I will try it, when he gets over his shyness."

Many a man before this, had laid plans for the future, and many a plan had been frustrated. So was this gentleman's plans all for naught, for while he sat looking over at Earl, and waiting for him to get over his shyness, that he might talk a little moment more with him, the locomotive gave one of those 'short, shrill, startling shrieks, which seems to lift every passenger from the seat, and blanch every face with fear.

"The wire *was* down," was the thought that flashed through the gentleman's mind, on the instant. And he mechanically grasped the arm of the seat, and braced himself for the shock. Every passenger in that car did the same, excepting Earl. He knew so little of life on the railway, that the engineer's call for the brakes had not alarmed him. The brakeman's leap for the door, however, drew his attention; but before he had time to notice the pale, terrified faces about him, the shock was upon them.

With a jar and a crash, that shook the very ground, the two trains met; and in an instant, the wreck was complete. The terrible collision had done its work. Car upon car; engine upon engine; fragment upon fragment. And out of this horrid confusion burst a flame, that soon enveloped the whole in one lurid sheet of fire.

Yes, the wire was down, as little Earl had seen, and this was the result—this terrible collision—the news of which flashed over wires that were not down, ere two hours had passed, carrying anxiety, or grief, or despair, to many and many a home, for the carnage was awful.

Were there any tidings for the Sanborns? What did the message over the wires say of little Earl? We shall see.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Wise Sayings.

Who's seen my day?
'Tis gone away,
Nor left a trace
In any place.
If I could only find
Its footfalls in some mind,
Some spirit nature stirred
By force of deed or word,
I should not stand at shadowy eve,
And *for my day* so grieve and grieve.

—He who knows only one side of the case, knows little of that.—J. Stuart Mill.

—Brave actions are the substance of life, and good sayings the ornament of it.

He that is choice of his time will also be choice of his company and choice of his actions.—Paley.

—When a high-minded man takes pains to atone for his injustice, his kindness of heart shows in the best and purest light.

—God is letting the vanities of life slip through our fingers while he is leading us up to the crowning place.—Rev. C. L. Guild.

—Night brings out stars as sorrow shows us truths; we can never see the stars till we can see little or naught else—and thus it is with truth.

—Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives himself to his work, body and soul.—Charles Buxton.

—The man who is perplexed by religious doubts should be advised to cure himself not by the physic of reading and controversy, but by the diet of holy living.—Keble.

—Do good with your money. Don't say you will wait until you get a good deal of it. The man who does that makes a bargain with the evil, and the evil outwits him. Where men are going to use their money for good when they get through with it, the Lord is apt to get through with them before they think of getting through with their money.

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STATE TALK.

Portland is now boasting of the handsomest church and the handsomest theatre in Maine.

A short time ago Mrs. George Wills of Mexico, went to the wood box to get some wood for the stove; when she put her hand down, she found a milk adder two and one half feet long. She did not stop to listen to any advices from the serpent.

There was a very romantic marriage in the little community of Lowell, Maine, the other evening. The knot was tied by a married woman who is a justice of the peace and while the ceremony was being performed a night blooming cereus burst into bloom.

Other states ought to postpone their schools till later in September and let the people enjoy the best month of the year in Maine.

Denmark had an old fashioned barn raising Tuesday, with a single exception, viz: the absence of old cider, lemonade being served instead, says an exchange but whether scarcity of the former beverage or temperance principle is to be credited is not stated.

Said a bright Bath girl at a recent party, "Humph! I'm never going to be married. I can earn in six months more money than most men earn in a year"—and she can, too, say her friends. So that's the esteem in which the dear girl holds man and family? Probably there are some men who would not want her while holding such views.

Maine hasn't as bountiful crops this season as some other parts of the country, but she is having no tornadoes, like that which wrought havoc in Texas this week, nor head-on collisions like those on western railroads, last week, nor strikes like those in the coal districts, nor slaughters like that at Latimer, nor yellow fever as has the sunny South; surely there are things which Maine may feel thankful she has not, if wheat be not among them. There will be few families in Maine who will go hungry this winter and probably none who will go up in a cyclone.

An Oxford county marble worker had a scare the other day that will teach him to be careful for a while. He was in a cemetery when a customer paid him $25, and wishing to get the bills out of his hand temporarily while he receipted for them, placed them on the ground and laid a stone on them. Then the men went off to look at a stone, and finally unhitched their horse and went home. A few hours later the marble worker missed his money, and the way he harnessed up and drove 18 miles to the cemetery would have broken the record had the horse been timed. And he found the money all right, just where he had laid it.

A Greenwood man not long since was engaged in piling up a windrow of hay when a whirlwind came along and lifted that hay high in the air, together with the man's hat, he himself barely escaping a rise in the world. Not till afternoon did he find his hat at a long distance from the scene of the flurry, but whether he ever succeeded in coralling the hay is not recorded.

The town of Paris rejoices in a highway surveyor who believes in cutting down hills to fill the valleys and in raking the loose stones out of the road. It's a great pity there aren't enough of that kind of surveyors to go around. In one Maine city recently it excited the comment of the newspapers when the street commissioner set a man at work raking out the loose stones that cause more trouble in a roadway than the most foolishly constructed "thank-ye-marm" that ever exposed a community to ridicule, which is saying a good deal.

Here is a good story they are telling about the recent visit of the secretary of the navy to his old home in Buckfield. It may be no more authentic than the yarn about his eating custard pie at the meeting of the Custard Pie Association but it will bear repeating: While at Buckfield he employed a woman in the neighborhood to do the family washing. One day as he was driving by the place he called to see if the washing was ready. The man of the house came to the door in response to the secretary's knock. "Is our washing done?" inquired Mr. Long. The man turned and bawled to his wife: "Maria! Maria! Is Johnnie's washing done?" And "Johnnie" forbore to smile in the presence of his kindly old neighbor.

Coming Events.

Sept. 22, 23.—Oxford North Fair, Andover.
Sept. 23-30,—West Oxford Fair, Fryeburg.
Sept. 28-30.—Androscoggin Valley Fair, Canton.
Oct. 19.—Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., Portland.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Ella Carter spent last week at Paris Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yates are staying in Bethel.

Mrs. Elvira T. Jordan is spending a week in Portland.

Tuesday, John Yates attended the funeral of his father.

Mrs. S. N. Buck and daughter Gladys are visiting in Norway.

A full line of stationery at the NEWS office going at reduced prices.

Misses Cora and Alice Bean have been visiting friends at Sunday River.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. John Chapman, Thursday afternoon.

The friends of Mrs. Fritz Tyler are sorry to learn of her illness from rheumatic fever.

Mrs. Israel Jordan returned from Saco, last week. She has been visiting her parents there.

Mrs. F. J. Roberts of China, Me., is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Capen.

Sunday evening, Fred and Addie Gordon received a telegram announcing the sudden death of their cousin.

About 15 have improved the 25-cent offer the past week. Those who have not should begin at once and get all the story.

Judge Woodbury is attending the State Conference of Congregational Churches which is in session at Belfast.

The author of "Transplanted," which appeared in the last issue of the NEWS was Mrs. R. A. Hamilton, instead of Rev. A. Hamilton.

Rev. E. W. Webber of Rumford Falls, is in town attending the Universalist convention. He made us a very pleasant call this morning.

Miss Isabelle Shirley went, by invitation, to Norway, Tuesday, and addressed the Ladies' Clubs and Unions upon Parliamentary rules.

Col. Edwards plowed in a piece containing two acres of potatoes, a few days ago. They had rotted so badly that they were not worth digging.

There will be no meeting of the W. C. T. U. next week on account of the State Convention. The Union adjourned to meet with Mrs. O. M. Mason, Tuesday, Oct. 5.

The souvenir programmes of the Maine Music Festival have been received by Director Snyder. It is a fine piece of work and can be obtained for fifty cents per copy.

Miss Georgia Bradley, Portland, Miss Annie H. Stevens, Lewiston, and Miss Lane, West Paris, were in town, yesterday, attending the district meeting of the Universalist Society and made us a pleasant call.

The Columbian Club met Saturday afternoon with Miss Ruby Clark. It has resumed the study of Grecian History. The Club will meet next Saturday, October 2nd, at the home of Mrs. G. P. Bean.

The annual meeting of the Oxford Universalist Association and the district Y. P. C. U. is being held in the Universalist Church. A good number are present and the exercises interesting and profitable. Report of meetings will be given next week.

We received a very pleasant call yesterday from ex-Gov. Sidney Perham, Hon. Geo. F. Hammond of Paris, Mr. Kilborn Perham of Woodstock, and Mr. Dunn of Auburn. These gentlemen are in town attending the District meeting of the Universalist society.

Maine Music Festival.

The afternoon concerts of the Maine Music Festival will begin at 2.30, and the evening concerts at 8 o'clock, at which time the doors will be closed. No person will be permitted to enter or retire during the performance of any selection.

Rehearsals will be held Monday afternoon, Oct. 18, at 2.30, and Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 10.00 o'clock. Admission to these rehearsals is 25 cents to all parts of the house.

The price of admission to the afternoon and evening concerts is as follows: Patron tickets, admitting to the five concerts, with secured seat, $5.00; single concert tickets, with secured seat, $1.00, $1.50, and $2.00. Patron ticket coupons are detachable and transferable. The choice of the location of the Patron seats will be sold at auction, in the City Hall, Portland, Monday, September 27, at 9.30, A. M., and must be paid for as fast as selected. Out-of-town patrons can order tickets by mail, with or without premium, stating the amount of premium, if any, they wish to pay, and inclosing remittance for full amount with directed stamped envelope, to Homer N. Chase, Auburn, Me., four days previous to the advertised auction sale. Such orders will be carefully filled and promptly mailed at owner's risk, or by registered letter, if necessary stamps are sent. Seats unsold at the conclusion of the auction sale can be obtained at Cressey, Jones, & Allen's, Portland.

ALL IS CHAOS.

ITALIANS ON OXFORD CENTRAL IMPRISON THEIR BOSSES.

Several Attempts to Release Them Foiled, but Wormell Did It Amid a Shower of Bullets.

Last Saturday morning, Judge Foster received a telegram from Norway stating that the 225 Italians who had been working on the Oxford Central electric railroad, because of a misunderstanding between the contractor and themselves concerning their pay, made a strike Friday morning and had taken the superintendent, Albert Davis; the engineer, L. B. Wilson; and James Hallett, one of the bosses, prisoners, and declared their intention of holding them until they received their pay. The Judge was asked to give a permit to call out the National Guard at Norway to quell the riot; this he declined to do until the sheriff and his deputies had failed to restore order.

STORY OF THE CAPTURE.

It seems that the Dagos were getting somewhat anxious about pay for their services; the contractor, Mr. Wilson, had made arrangements whereby he expected to get the money to pay them off the 16th inst., but owing to the sickness of the one of whom he was to receive it, a necessary delay had been made. It was useless to attempt to explain this cause of delay to the Italians and hence when the time came at which they had expected their pay and they did not get it they "lost their heads;" accordingly when the above mentioned went to their work Friday morning, they were met by 200 impassioned Italians and taken prisoners. They were allowed to travel around, being watched by armed men all of the time making escape impossible; Hallett, however, made his escape Friday night, leaving only Davis and Wilson who were watched still closer than before. Sheriff Porter was notified and at once summoned his deputies to the scene of excitement, and all Saturday afternoon was spent in vain, trying to make a reconciliation. The officers left the scene Saturday night without accomplishing anything, the Italians absolutely refusing to release their prisoners until their wages were forthcoming.

EVEN THE PRIEST'S WORD SET AT NAUGHT.

Sunday afternoon Father Summa, a priest from Lewiston, was summoned who in company with Sheriff Porter and several of his deputies held a long conference with them which only resulted in the priest's stating that he was confident that any attempt at present to liberate the prisoners would result in bloodshed.

GETTING DESPERATE.

During the past two days deputy sheriff Wormell had not been idle but rather had been upon the ground acquainting himself with the situation and perfecting his plan to liberate Davis and Wilson, and when he learned that unless something was done that day the Italians had threatened to hang the two unfortunate men, he decided that the time for action was at hand, and that liberate them he would, or sacrifice his life in the attempt. Heretofore all that had been done by the officers only made the situation more dangerous. Wormell believed, as he had from the first, that if the men were ever liberated it must be done by strategy; and he was the very man who had the dauntless courage to attempt it.

THE PLAN.

Two teams were fitted out each one to carry away one of the prisoners, and Sheriff Wormell and Detective Bassett accompanied by drivers went to the camps. Several hours were spent there, during which time the officers went among the men conversing with those who could speak English, siding with the Italians and threatening Davis and Wilson, telling them that the laborers must have their pay, etc., and by using the utmost precaution not to arouse suspicion they succeeded in getting the prisoners out to their wagons several times, who, when possible, were conversed with concerning the plans for their escape. Each was told the team that was to take him away and they understood that they were to get as near as possible to their respective teams at various intervals during the afternoon; this they did, but each time were closely guarded; finally just before night Wormell decided to take his chances and as each one stood near his wagon talking with those therein, Wormell gave the word "Jump," and jump they did, fairly from the arms of the guards, and in an instant the horses were upon the run, not through an open highway but through a throng of Italians who were eagerly trying to stop them by grasping horses, wheels, men or anything which perchance got in their way. Wormell's span had not gone two rods before one was tripped by the mob and fell flat, at this instant one of the men, wild with rage, sprang into Wormell's wagon, but only to receive an unmerciful blow over the head by the barrel of Wormell's revolver, which felled him prostrate to the ground. The horse was quickly on his feet and off again, and though the air for a short time was filled with bullets from the weapons of the lawless gang, yet the desperate attempt was a successful one and all save detective Bassett out of danger.

DETECTIVE BASSETT'S STORY.

In an interview, Detective Bassett said it was one of the most exciting times of his life. After Wilson and Davis had escaped, the Italians rushed at him and closed in upon him, as he was the only one left. He resisted them as best he could, but they tore both his coats off and battered him up in terrible shape.

It looked as though he was about to be overpowered, when a big bruiser rushed up with an axe and swinging it high in the air, struck at Mr. Bassett's head; Bassett jumped one side, so that as the axe descended, it grazed his arm and buried itself in the ground.

The axe struck with so much force that the handle broke off, short; it flew into the crowd, which in order to avoid being struck, fell back. This made a little opening through which Bassett flew like the wind for his life.

The Italians took after him, but he made tracks so lively they could not overtake him, and after following about three miles gave up the chase.

He finally was overtaken by a passing team, the driver of whom took him to North Waterford, where Dr. Packard dressed his wound temporarily, and after giving the detective a rest, took him in his team and started for Norway where they met Dr. French, who was coming this way and who brought him home here. They passed the Italian camp about 2 o'clock and everything was quiet.

Mr. Bassett couldn't tell just when he was shot, as he did not know it until he had been running quite a while, when he noticed the blood trickling down his clothing. It is thought the wound will not prove dangerous, although he will be unable to use his arm for some time.

There seems to be several conflicting stories concerning Detective Bassett's escape: and how he happened to be among the gang after the teams were driven away seems a mystery. Whatever may be said in reference to this matter, it is plainly evident that Wormell planned the scheme, successfully executed his plan, and liberated these men, who, were it not for him, would, if alive, remain in confinement to-day.

One Hundred Dollars Stolen.

Sunday morning, Benj. Aldrich came down from Riley Plantation and notified officer Wormell that the house of Julia A. Stearns had been broken into and $100 stolen; $80 in gold and $20 in bills. Wormell at once went to the scene and upon examining the premises decided that the robbery was committed by one who knew the premises. Upon further investigation, suspision began to rest upon the man Aldrich who had been staying there and who was the man to first notify Wormell of the robbery. This suspicion continued to ripen until Wednesday afternoon, when Aldrich was arrested and brought to Bethel. He waived examination and acknowledged taking the gold but said he knew nothing about the bills. He promised to show where he hid the gold if he could be allowed to go back, whereupon Wormell took him there. When there, he asked the privilege to go alone to the spot but was not allowed. After getting nearly to the spot where he said the gold was he begged to go alone and was permitted to do so.

As he was now in the woods and the road crooked it was possible for Wormell to keep close upon him and yet keep hid from sight. No sooner had Aldrich got his hands on the gold than he threw his hat and started with all his might to make his escape. Wormell was instantly on his track, and after following him in the woods for a short distance, they reached a meadow; here Wormell shouted for Aldrich to stop or he would shoot and this Aldrich did and delivered himself up to the officer. He subsequently told where the bills were hid and was taken back to find them, then taken to Paris jail.

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It seems that the sill under one of the posts was held up by rods fastened above to the girts, and the weight of the hay on the scaffold, added to the weight of the team and load on the floor, broke the sill and let everything through into the cellar. Mr. Farwell rushed into another part of the barn and did not get trapped; his horses were far enough away that they did not go entirely down, but his wagon together with some of his farming tools are completely buried.

COUNTY FAIR.

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THURSDAY.

Three races were trotted but the most exciting one was the '23 race. It was a hard fought race, but Janet succeeded in taking three straight heats. Summary:

Janet, b. m, by Black Rolfe, Thede Thayer, South Paris,	1 1 1
H. P. E., br. g., by Gen. Garfield, A. E. Russell, Buckfield,	4 2 3
Alcantara Chief, br. s., Chas. L. Jenkins, Auburn,	3 4 2
Victor E. ch. g. by Fauntleroy, R. O. Jordan, Buckfield,	2 3 4

Time, 2.30, 2.30, 2.28.

The 3 minute class had five starters. The fight was not for first as Frank Rolfe had it pretty much his own way, but for second between Barbara and Cassius resulting in a victory for Barbara. Summary:

Frank Rolfe, b.g., by Black Rolfe, Fred Pierce, Mechanic Falls,	1 1 1
Barbara, bl. f., by Owoissa, Thede Thayer, South Paris,	3 3 2
Cassius M., b.s., by Victor Patchen, E. H. Foster, No. Waterford,	4 4 3
Cashier, ch. s., by Warrener, L. C. Ryerson, Lewiston,	2 5 4
Pansy Knapp, b. m., by Walter G., A. M. Curtis, West Peru,	5 2 5

Time, 2.37 1-4, 2:40, 2.36 1-2.

In the consolation race Patty made an easy victory. Summary:

Patty, ch. m., by George Logan, Smith,	1 1 1
King, b. g., Hastings,	2 2 2
Nellie Bly, ch. m., Jenkins,	3 3 3

Time, 2.37, 2.35 1-2, 2.37 1-2.

BALLOON ASCENSION.

Prof. Joseph LaRoux, the veteran balloonist, was promptly on hand at the opening of the fair, and Wednesday made his first ascension. His furnace was built and the balloon inflated near the pine trees inside the track. In the process of getting the bag inflated, it was torn two or three times, and had to be hauled down and mended, but at last, about 4 o'clock, he was off for the clouds. The balloon rose well, drifting with the breeze toward the southeast. Thousands of necks were craned to catch the sight when he cut loose from the balloon, but they didn't catch it. On account of the dullness of the shears provided for the purpose, he was unable to cut the parachute loose from the balloon, and so was obliged to wait until the balloon came down and come with it. He landed near the railroad about two miles south of South Paris. The balloon was considerably torn by the trees.

On Thursday, he drifted northeast of the fair grounds, cut loose and made a beautiful drop with a red, white, and blue parachute that was in use for the first time. He landed near the court house in South Paris. Soon after he cut loose from the balloon, the trapeze bar broke and he came down hanging by two ropes with loops around his wrists.

The fair has not only proven a success along the line of exhibits and entertainment but it has also been a financial success. Quite a sum was realized above the expenses of the fair, some of which will be used before another year in needed repairs.



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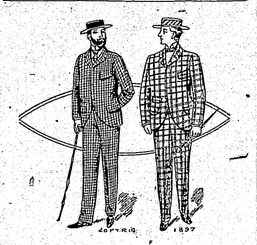
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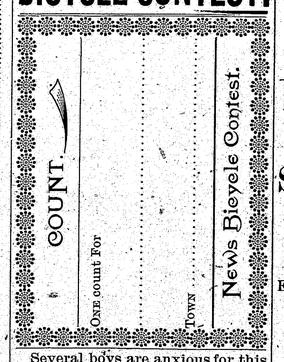
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I desire to call the attention of all who had claims in the hands of the late J. G. Rich, Esq., that I have all his papers and books pertaining to such claims and am continuing prosecution of such claims wherever desired. Please correspond or call at my office, where you will find me on the three last days of the week. 41tf
Correspondence attended to at any time.

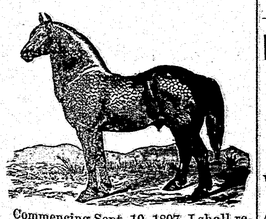
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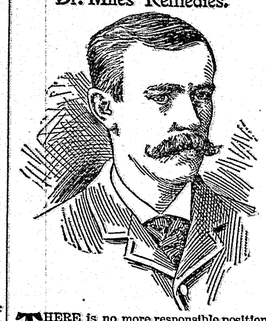
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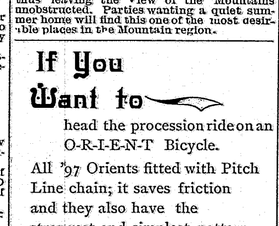
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THE COUNTY NEWS.

Short Paragraphs Collected by Our Correspondents, for the NEWS.

WEST BETHEL.

An honest man has passed away. Died September 16th, Caleb Goodnow, aged 88 years. He died on his birth-day. Mr. Goodnow was highly respected by all who knew him. It was his great desire to do right by all with whom he had any business. He was a very hard-working and industrious farmer as long as his health would admit. He was an indulgent husband and father, a good neighbor and citizen, and was well-known in this town. He will long be remembered by his many friends.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Charles Richardson, tax collector of this town, was here the other day.

Gracie Vaughn of Portland is again staying with L. C. Trask and wife.

Mrs. Maud Lapham has lately been entertaining company from Portland.

Mr. Emery is repairing his house by shingling, and rebuilding one of the chimneys.

Nearly all of the summer boarders in this vicinity have returned to their homes.

Charles Brooks has returned from Massachusetts, where he has been most of the summer.

Mrs. Sadie Chapman and children, with her mother, Mrs. K. T. Bryant, visited relatives in this vicinity recently.

Bert Ayer has his shed up, and it will, when completed, add greatly to the looks of his place. It extends from the house to the barn.

Jesse Felt and wife with their two sons, Charles and Albert, and their wives, have been visiting their old home on Howe Hill this summer. They have all returned to Portland with the exception of Albert and wife.

School began here last Monday under the instruction of Mr. Hutchins of Walker's Mills. There are thirty-six scholars in attendance. Teams go from Bird Hill and Howe Hill to take the scholars in those places to and from school.

LOVELL CENTER.

Summer boarders are leaving town quite rapidly.

Mrs. Mattie Fox visited her sister in Portland, last week.

Mrs. Sarah Milliken from Bridgton, is visiting friends in this place.

Ira Heald and daughter Alice visited at Kearsarge, N. H., Sunday.

Mrs. Daniel Stearns is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Fowler.

Mrs. Minnie Fowler and daughter Inez, visited Mrs. Fowler's aunt in Chatham, Sunday.

Charlie Ward, who is at work for the Oxford Central Railway Co., made a short visit at his home in West Fryeburg, Sunday.

It Never Fails.

Harris & Ruquo, Erin, Tenn, manufacturers of the celebrated Erin Lime, have in their employ, in various departments of their business, several hundred men. The firm write to the Drummond Medicine Co., New York, in great praise of Drummond's Lightning Remedy for Rheumatism, and say they have cured four cases with it, and that it has not failed in a single instance. The remedy always gives satisfaction. Send $5 to Drummond Medicine Co., and they will ship to your address two large bottles—a month's treatment—by return express. Agents Wanted. 4

LOVELL.

Work is going on as usual in the corn shop.

Rev. Mr. Wood is visiting at his home in Bangor.

Elwin Hubbard is attending school at North Bridgton.

Georgia Dennett of Boston, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Martha Chandler.

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We call them little men and little women, but they are neither. They have ideas and ways all their own. Fortunately they soon become fond of cod-liver oil, when it is given to them in the form of SCOTT'S EMULSION. This is the most valuable remedy in existence for all the wasting diseases of early life. The poorly nourished, scrofulous child; the thin, weak, fretting child; the young child who does not grow; all take Scott's Emulsion without force or bribe. It seems as if they knew that this meant nourishment and growth for bones, muscles and nerves.

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OXFORD.

Oxford Spring House closed the 20th.

Miss Bertha Hazen is in Portland for a short time.

Miss Marjorie Holmes has returned to Portland.

Miss Sadie Booker is attending Norway High School.

Miss Lizzie Hall of Waterford, and Mrs. Lizzie Warren of Norway, visited at M. B. Warren's, quite recently.

DENMARK.

Miss Linda Allen is at work for A. H. Witham.

Will Potter was home a few days last week from Windham.

Miss Rosie Hanscome of Conway N. H., is visiting her mother here.

A. P. Pingree took his wife to Augusta Saturday for treatment at the Asylum.

S. G. Davis Esq., of Washington, D. C., came home Wednesday of last week, on his annual vacation.

Frank and Rufus Morrill and Will Mason have finished drawing spool stock and returned home to Norway last week.

J. N. Smith has sold his stand here in the village formerly occupied for a hardware store and dwelling to Gardner Norton of Naples.

Mrs. Maggie Perrigoat and son, Will Kelly of Lyndonville Vt., are in town visiting her brother Sidney Orcutt, and sisters, Mattie Kelly and Nellie Flanders, also her aunt, Mrs. A. H. Witham.

Charles McIntire had the misfortune to lose a nice, young horse Friday night. Arthur Jack has had it in training as a trotter for some weeks and came home from the fair at Sanford Friday night and found the colt dead in the stall in the morning.

BUCKFIELD.

Geo. R. Holland has closed his meat market for the present.

Ethan A. Chase of Riverside, Cal., was in town for a short visit recently.

Miss Lila Spaulding has returned from a two weeks' visit to Rumford Falls.

Carlton Gardner and wife are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Hobart, in Boston.

Mrs. W. E. Pike of Rumford Falls, spent the day with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Cole, Saturday, 11th inst.

The corn factory is running with a full crew of about 100 hands. Corn is coming in better than was expected.

Miss Amy W. Shaw has been the guest of Miss Bessie Pettingill at Rumford Falls and the lakes the past week.

Rev. Sumner Bangs announces a series of Sunday evening lectures commencing Sunday, the 19th, on Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress.

FRYEBURG.

Miss Katherine Abbott is teaching in New Gloucester.

Mrs. Leah Chase went back to Boston with her husband.

Miss Virgie Evans left last week for Germantown, Pa., where she teaches kindergarten.

Miss Eva Walker has gone to Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., for a year's course of study.

Mrs. Phebe F. Page died at her home in Portland, Sept. 9. Her body was brought here for burial Monday, the 13th.

Mr. Melville Ballard, professor in the deaf and dumb college, Washington, D. C., has been staying at his brother Eckley's.

Mrs. E. G. Fife went to Newark, N. J., to be present at the golden wedding of her brother. She will buy her fall stock in New York.

Mrs. Hannah Dexter and daughter came to Miss Page's on Tuesday. Mrs. D. left on Friday. Miss Dexter will remain hoping to improve her health in the pure mountain air.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles (Elizabeth Chandler) of Bryantville, Mass., visited friends here on Tuesday. On Wednesday they went to the White Mountains, returning that night to Portland.

Mr. H. G. Pearson of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who had charge of the music at the C. L. S. C. Assembly, spent Sunday with Rev. Mr. Abbott and played the organ at the Congregational church.

The village schools began on Monday the 13th. The primary is taught by Miss Emma Hill of the Castine Normal School, and Miss Nina Shedd resumes her place in the next grade at the lower school house.

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Little Things.

It was a little thing for Nell
To brighten the kitchen fire,
To spread the cloth, to draw the tea,
As her mother might desire—
A little thing; but her mother smiled,
And banished all her care,
And a day that was sad
Closed bright and glad,
With a song of praise and prayer.

'Twas only a little thing to do
For a sturdy lad like Ned
To groom the horse, to milk the cow,
And bring the wood from the shed;
But his father was glad to find at night
The chores were all well done.
"I am thankful," said he
"As I can be,
For the gift of such a son."

Only small things; but they brighten the life,
Or shadow it with care;
But little things, yet life's best prize,
The reward which labor brings,
Comes to him who uses,
And not abuses,
The power of little things.
—Iowa Temperance Magazine.

The Strike.

Second in its disastrous effect only to the stopping of work of the railway employees of the country is a general strike of the coal miners. Say 350,000 miners went out. That involves cutting off the living of the miners themselves and their families, nobless than 1,000,000 persons. In wages the miners lose $1,000,000 a week. Besides, the strike would affect all the railways of the country, reducing their freight earnings. One of the first things railway managers in regions affected by the coal strike did was to diminish the number of freight cars on the road and discharge many of their employees. The gas companies of the country would in like manner be affected. A strike of coal miners that continued long enough would leave every city in the land in darkness.

It is true the authority of the United States government could be evoked to forcibly prevent matters reaching such a pass, but to use government power in such a way would be like covering over out of sight a dynamite bomb. All railway, gas and coal companies now in the hands of receivers appointed under federal law can appeal to a United States court for an injunction to prevent the strikers from interfering with their particular business. At the beginning of the coal strike Receivers Blickensdorfer and Herrick, in Ohio, showed how easily this can be done. If the striking miners refuse to obey, at once United States troops can be ordered out against them.

It is becoming clear to the civilized mind, however, that resorts to violence constitute the worst possible way of settling a labor difficulty. They are, in fact, no settlement at all.

When the coal workers went out, they left in each mine two men to take care of it and prevent roofs from falling in. That was evidence that there was on their part a willingness to settle matters peaceably. One point is absolutely certain. The interests of miners and mine operators are really the same. When one is prosperous, the other naturally will be also. Miners are surely willing that operators should realize a fair profit. Operators know in their souls that miners who are well paid will do better work than those who are discontented. On this basis, each remembering, that the other looks at the matter precisely as he himself would under like circumstances, each willing to do the right thing by the other, a mutual understanding between employer and employee could always be arrived at. The time for displays of high handed arrogance of temper has gone by.

NORTH LOVELL.

Mr. H. R. Andrews sold another nice pair of oxen last week.

Mr. Roger Flint returned to his home in Cambridge, last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone and their son Arthur returned to their home Wednesday.

Mrs. Lucy Russell and daughter Edith, returned to their home in Haverhill, Mass., last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. D. Hatch carried Mrs. Annie Andrews to Bridgton on Wednesday, thence she will visit her mother and arrive at her home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Andrews went to Norway Saturday, Mr. Walt Eastman and H. R. Andrews going with them. Mr. and Mrs. Andrews are going to stay awhile.

GREENWOOD.

Lula Penley commenced the Centre school the 6th, and the most distant scholars are being carried by Mrs. I. W. Swan.

D. A. Coffin called at the Bennett place the other day while on his circuit looking after sweet corn. He reports it very uneven everywhere.

The coons are taking their share of the corn as usual. One man set two traps in his the other day, and the next morning he had a big coon in each trap.

As we sit writing this, there are two fine looking stray cows in the yard, one wearing an old-fashioned bell, and the other a recommendation in the form of a "hooker." We would respectfully inform the owner that a good wire fence around his pasture would do wonders towards keeping them there, and at the same time save him the trouble of looking them up.

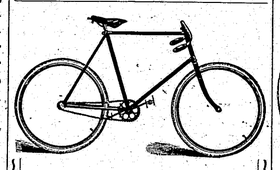
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A. H. DAVIS,
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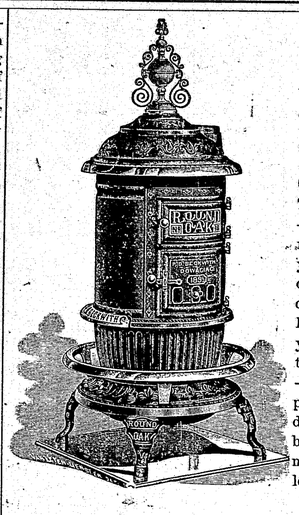
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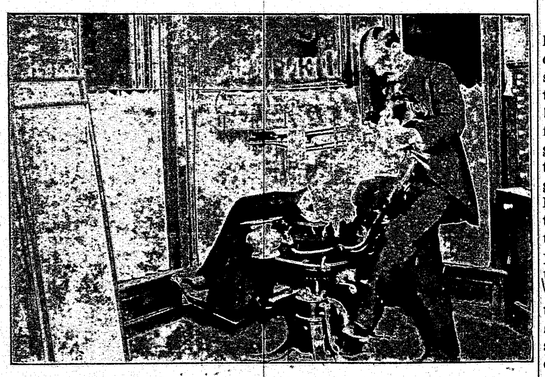
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In July, the world was amazed at the reports of the golden wealth of the Yukon River in Alaska and the Northwest Territory. Later arrivals and reports have fully verified the earlier news, and to-day everyone knows that in that distant and snow-bound land are the richest deposits of gold ever known to man. The gold belt is now known to extend for hundreds of miles through the Klondike region, and all experts and scientists agree that the real richness and wealth of this great country has not yet been discovered. Many millions of the precious yellow metal has already been brought out by returning miners, and yet if mere river-drift yields such fabulous wealth to pan and shovel in the hands of the inexperienced, it must be left to the imagination to picture the richness of the mother lode and quartz-veins when worked by proper mechanical appliances in the hands of mining experts. The days for successful individual effort quickly passes, and the best equipped will merit and achieve the greatest success.

It is to overcome these difficulties, and to render it possible for those who are unable to visit this New Eldorado, from any cause, that there was organized at Portland, Maine, last Friday, the Alaska-Yukon-Klondike Gold Syndicate, which is in fact a great mutual partnership, which will now make it possible for people, no matter how limited their means, to have a part in the greatest gold district on earth.

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HAVE PLENTY OF OLD WHEAT.

Pillsbury's Flours Will Be All Right this Year, as Usual.

The following letter explains itself:

Pillsbury Flour Mills Company,
Minneapolis, Minn. Aug. 14, 1897.
Messrs. Norton-Chapman Co.,
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Gentlemen:

A good deal of comment is made to-day about one of the Minneapolis milling concerns having bought 250 bus. Kansas wheat to be shipped to Minneapolis. We cannot answer for other people, but we can say for ourselves that we are amply supplied with old wheat, having as much as we ever had at this season, if not more, and our flours will be made of old wheat as usual. The condition of the new wheat this year is reported to be very poor; and if ever there was a time when the old wheat was wanted, to keep flours all right, it is this year. Our new wheat crop is in a very precarious condition; with the most favorable weather, not one-half of it will grade 1 Northern, or better; it is raining now all over the northern section. A few days' rain would make the crop entirely unfit for milling purposes for several months to come. You may assure all our customers that we are in the finest shape, as far as concerns supplies of old wheat; and that we would shut down our mills rather than put Kansas wheat in our flour.

Yours very truly,
Chas. A. Pillsbury.

Dictated by Chas. A. Pillsbury.

Worms and Their Treatment.

It would surprise most people to learn how much of the sickness of children is due to worms in the stomach and intestines. When they have indigestion and a variable appetite, when the tongue is foul and the breath is offensive, grippings and pains occur about the navel, the nose itches, the child grinds its teeth, starts during sleep, has a short, dry cough, and sometimes convulsions, all these symptoms indicate that worms are sapping the strength of the child, and the symptoms disappear when the worms are expelled, and the system is no longer robbed of the nourishment it requires. Worms are most frequently found in children, but they are by no means rare in adults; and they are the unsuspected cause of many diseases. For expelling worms from the body, nothing better has been discovered than the remedy that was in use in New England homes nearly half a century ago—Dr. True's Worm Elixir, which, besides its action on worms purifies and enriches the blood, thus causing complete restoration of health. It is especially recommended because when it is used as a precautionary measure, and no worms are present, it exerts its tonic influence, and can do no harm.

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TOWNS AROUND.

EAST BUCKFIELD.

All the fall terms of school in town will commence the 13th.

Mrs. Edwin Maxim visited Mrs. Justus Mason one day last week.

Eleanor Fobes has returned to her place of work in Massachusetts.

The potato crop is very small and they are reported to be rotting badly.

A very little frost the first of the month but not enough to do much damage.

Warren Shaw has commenced attending school at Edward Little Institute at Auburn.

Seth Mason and wife and little Miss Ruth Isabel made his brother Justus a few days' visit last week.

Wilson Shaw has sold his home place to Herbert Irish of Hartford, and is moving to his Spaulding place.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Tracy Littlehale has gone to Boston.

Joe Spinney is at work for Will Powers.

Ivan Stowe is hauling poplar to Bethel station.

Guy Littlehale spent last week in Berlin, N. H., visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Godwin of Bethel called on friends in this place recently.

Sanford and Everett Brown spent last Saturday at E. E. Chapman's in Gilead.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Williamson of Norway, were in this place last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kendall and Mr. and Mrs. Grover of Chelsea, Mass., have gone to Errol N. H., to visit Mrs. Kendall's sister.

ANDOVER.

Mrs. H. A. Bradeen has just completed a beautiful quilt, basket pattern.

Last Tuesday afternoon, three bears, one very large, crossed the road just above Newell Godwin's house thence across the intervale and disappeared in a thicket on the bank of the river. Just before reaching the bank the mother bear stopped and stood erect as if contemplating what course to take. Newell being informed of what had occurred gave chase, his wife took the ax and started after him, and his mother and children brought up the rear. All returned however without any serious result.

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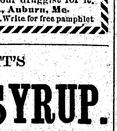
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GROVER HILL.

"September's slender crescent grows again,
Distinct in yonder peaceful evening red;
Clearer the stars are sparkling overhead,
And all the sky is pure without a stain."

T. J. Foster was at this place quite recently.

A. J. Peaslee has nearly completed his silo.

O. P. Brown of Freeport, is visiting friends in town.

Miss Maude Ava Bartlett was at her home over Sunday.

Chas. Murphy is boarding at N. A. Stearns' for a few days.

Several from this place are working in the Bethel corn shop.

We learn that Mrs. Grace L. Tyler is very sick at the present time.

Miss Emma L. Stearns visited her brother Nathan and family, Sunday.

Mrs. A. L. Whitman, Evander and Beatrice, are visiting friends in Milan, N. H.

Mrs. P. Wheeler assists Mrs. Whitman's family during Mrs. Whitman's absence.

Orin Foster passed through this section, one day last week, looking for fall fruit with which to supply the Berlin market.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wheeler from Rhode Island, were recent guests at A. B. Grover's, as also were Mr. and Mrs. Wilson of Bethel.

WEST PERU.

Apples are very scarce and potatoes are rotting badly.

Willard Arnold has gone to the Edward Little High School.

Miss Tucker is going to Boston this week to buy new millinery.

Leon Small, Alton Hussey and Henry Rowe are going this week to Hebron Academy to attend school.

The Rumford Falls Brick Co., under the management of Mr. A. E. Turgeon of Lewiston have made some extra nice brick. They have one more kiln to burn which will end operations this season.

Mrs. E. J. Rowe has added a nice stock of confectionery and intends to add other goods soon. She has a good assortment of boots, shoes and rubbers, also dry and fancy goods. She has leased the basement of her store to J. A. Arnold for flour and feed of all kinds.

A good number of Glendale Lodge of I. O. G. T. attended the District Lodge at Canton last Wednesday. Rev. A. J. Wheeler of Auburn gave a public temperance lecture in the evening. The Portland & Rumford Falls railroad ran a special train to and from Canton in the evening so that all could avail themselves of the privilege of attending the lecture, which was pronounced by all to be one of Mr. Wheeler's best.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Addison Bean from Mason was in this place Saturday last.

Fred Hazeltine and Charlie Marston called at George Briggs' Saturday.

George Briggs has bought another horse to fill the place of the one he recently lost.

Freddie Wheeler of Bethel visited his mother and sisters last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Osgood Swan and children from Greenwood, recently visited at her father's, J. H. Briggs.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fernald, Mrs. Parker Flint and daughter, George Briggs and Fred Hazeltine attended the fair at Norway, last Wednesday.

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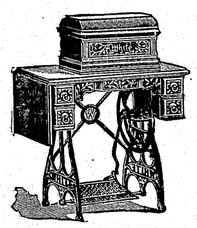
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